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Subject: MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT

TO DOJ.

IT IS TIME TO SETTLE THE MICROSOFT CASE. THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT BROUGHT FORTH BY THE DOJ AND NINE STATES SEEMS MORE THAN ENOUGH. I HAVE HAD A HARD TIME UNDERSTANDING HOW THE CONSUMER HAS BEEN HARMED. DID WE PAY TOO MUCH FOR

MICROSOFT PRODUCTS? REPORTS IN THE MEDIA STATE WE MAY HAVE OVERPAID 20 TO 30 $\,$

DOLLARS FOR WINDOWS. IF IT'S AN ISSUE OF THIS AMOUNT, PERHAPS THE INDIVIDUAL HAS MORE PROBLEMS THAN OWNING A COMPUTER. THE CONSUMER IS ME. THIS LITIGATION

WILL NOT HELP ME IN ANY WAY. I DID NOT ASK FOR IT AND I DON'T WANT IT. LET'S BE HONEST, THIS IS ABOUT MICROSOFT'S COMPETITION ALWAYS LAGGING BEHIND THE CURVE. ALL THEY NEED TO DO IS BUILD A BETTER MOUSE TRAP. THIS CASE HAS HURT OUR ECONOMY AND INVESTORS. IF IT DOESN'T END NOW, I'M GOING TO BLAME SOME PEOPLE AND NOT BUY THEIR PRODUCTS...NOT VOTE FOR THEM ETC. WHO'S GOVERNMENT

IS THIS ANYWAY? IF WE DON'T STOP THIS CASE NOW, PERHAPS THE DOOR WILL OPEN FURTHER FOR AN OVERSEAS COMPETITOR..THINK AIRBUS! GIL HODGES, REGISTERED VOTER.